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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN ASKED TO TESTIFY IN OPEN HEARING JUNE 11 BEFORE HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEES ON INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (FRASER) AND INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS (FASCELL), ON SUBJECT OF HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN CHILE. SUBCOMMITTEES HAVE SUBMITTED PRELIMINARY QUESTIONNAIRE ENUMERATING QUESTIONS DESIRED COVERED IN PREPARED STATEMENT REQUESTED BY JUNE 6. DEPT NEEDS EMBASSYS ASSISTANCE IN PREPARED UP TO DATE RESPONSES ON FOLLOWING POINTS:

A) DEGREE TO WHICH ARRESTS MIGHT BE CHARACTERIZED AS "INDISCRIMINATE"

B) "JOB DISMISSALS FOR ARBITRARY OR IDEOLOGICAL REASONS"

C) "FORCED REORIENTATION OF THE SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY SYSTEMS"

D) WITH EXCEPTION OF PERSONS IN CUSTODY, ASYLUM OR UNDER HOUSE ARREST, ARE THERE IMPEDIMENTS TO LEAVING THE COUNTRY? ANY DISTINCTION MADE BETWEEN CHILEANS AND NON-CHILEANS IN THIS REGARD?

E) SINCE SEPTEMBER 11, HOW MANY CHILEANS AND NON-

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CHILEANS RESIDENT IN CHILE HAVE RECEIVED U.S. IMMIGRANT

VISAS? HOW MANY HAVE BEEN DENIED? AND FOR WHAT REASONS?
HOW MANY PERSONS HAVE BEEN APPROVED FOR ENTRY UNDER PRE-
PAROLE PROCEDURES INSTITUTED FOR REFUGEES? HOW MANY CHILEAN
DEPENDENTS AMONG THEM? TOTAL NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS PRO-
CESSED TO DATE? NUMBER OF DISAPPROVALS, BY REASON? HOW

MANY PRE-PAROLE APPLICATIONS PENDING?

2. CONCISE RESPONSES ON THESE POINTS NEEDED BY OPENING
OF BUSINESS JUNE 3. RUSH

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